

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
SOUTHEAST CASS WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT
CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WEST FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA
JULY 27, 2015

The Southeast Cass Water Resource District met to hold reassessment hearings on July 27, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. for Sheyenne-Maple Flood Control District #1 and at 6:00 p.m. for Sheyenne-Maple Flood Control District #2 at the Cass County Highway Department, West Fargo, North Dakota.

Present were Mark Brodshaug, Manager; Dan Jacobson, Manager; Lance Yohe, Manager; Carol Harbeke Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; Brenda Lovgren, Administrative Assistant; Sean M. Fredricks, Attorney for the Board; Kurt Lysne, Engineer for the Board and those whose names appear on the attached rosters.

Sheyenne-Maple Flood Control Districts #1 and #2 – hearing regarding reassessment of benefits

Mark Brodshaug called the meeting to order and explained that the purpose for the meeting was to hold a hearing regarding the reassessment of benefits for Sheyenne-Maple Flood Control District #1 and #2.

Kurt Lysne gave a presentation on the projects and the proposed reassessment. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Lysne briefly reviewed the boundaries of the projects. There is no change to the assessment method or benefits. The main purpose of the reassessment process is to update the parcels that have been developed since the last reassessment in 2011 and to update property values.

It was questioned how the percentages were chosen for the property locations for flood protection. Mr. Lysne said that the percentages have not changed since 1991. 100% assessments are within the city limits. The benefit percentage areas and assessment factors were explained.

Several questions were asked regarding floodplain mapping and floodproofing elevations. Mr. Lysne explained that the elevation is based on FEMA standards. Certain elevations prior to 1991 are 1-foot above the 100-year flood elevation.

Mr. Lysne discussed the maintenance costs and the need for a pump station within the city limits. Money from reassessments will go towards the maintenance and repairs of the flood control districts. Cost-share is also obtained through the State Water

Commission. Analysis and hydrology were explained. The Corps of Engineers conducts annual inspections.

Manager Brodshaug said the yearly assessments are based on the property values taken from the county tax rolls. The newly developed properties and valuations could allow the assessments to be lowered. If the value on the tax rolls has not gone up then the assessment will go down.

Various questions were addressed with regard to the impact from the proposed Metro Flood Diversion Project.

A member of the audience commented regarding the fantastic job the diversion has done for the city. The diversion was operated prior to the project being completed.

Manager Brodshaug thanked everyone for attending and closed the hearing.

Adjournment

There being no further business for the Board to consider, the meeting adjourned without objection.

APPROVED:

Mark Brodshaug
Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Carol Harbeke Lewis
Secretary-Treasurer